

REMARKS

Claims 64-69 have been withdrawn. Claims 1-63, 71, 78-81, and 83 have been canceled.

Claims 70 and 82 have been amended to clarify the subject matter regarded as the invention.

Claims 64-70, 72-77, 79, 81-82, and 84-87 are pending.

Claims 70, 72-75, 79, 81, 82, and 85-87 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102. Claims 76, 78, 83, and 84 were objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if re-written in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claim.

Claims 70 and 82 have been amended to include the subject matter of claims 78 and 83, respectively, thus complying with the Examiner's objection that if claims 78 and 83 were placed into independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claim that these claims would be allowable.

CONCLUSION

Based on the foregoing, all claims pending in the application are believed to be allowable and a Notice of Allowance is respectfully requested. If the Examiner has any questions or comments regarding this amendment, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned.

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